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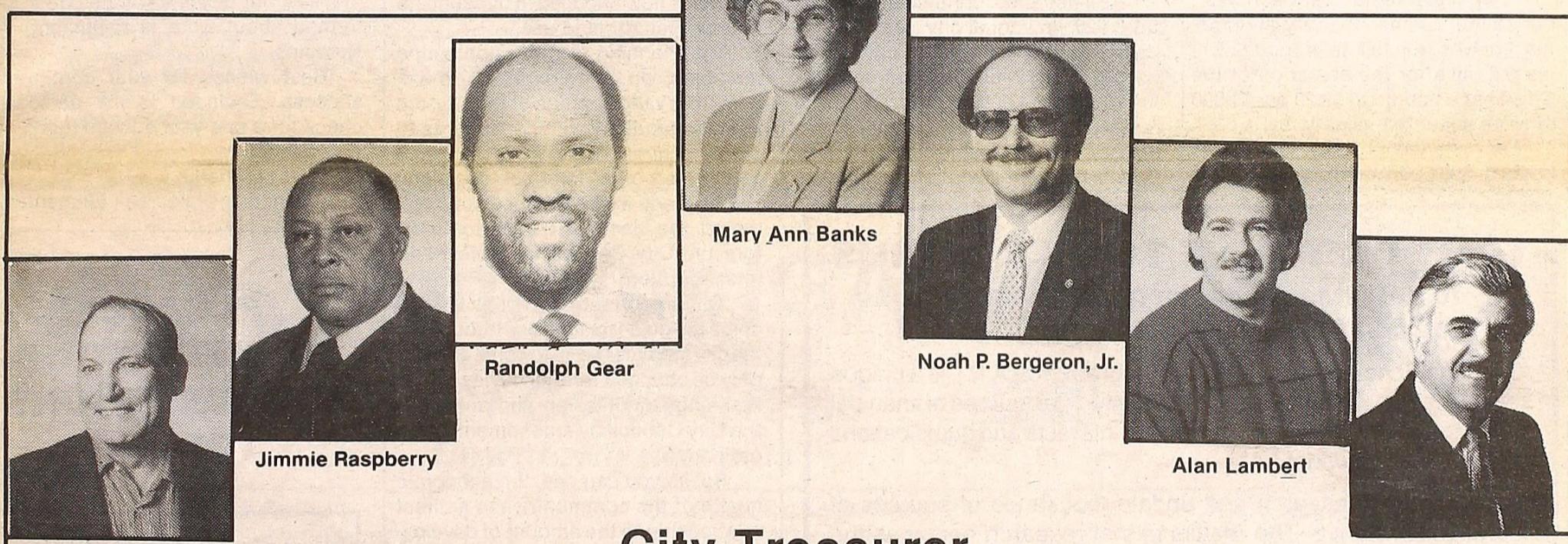
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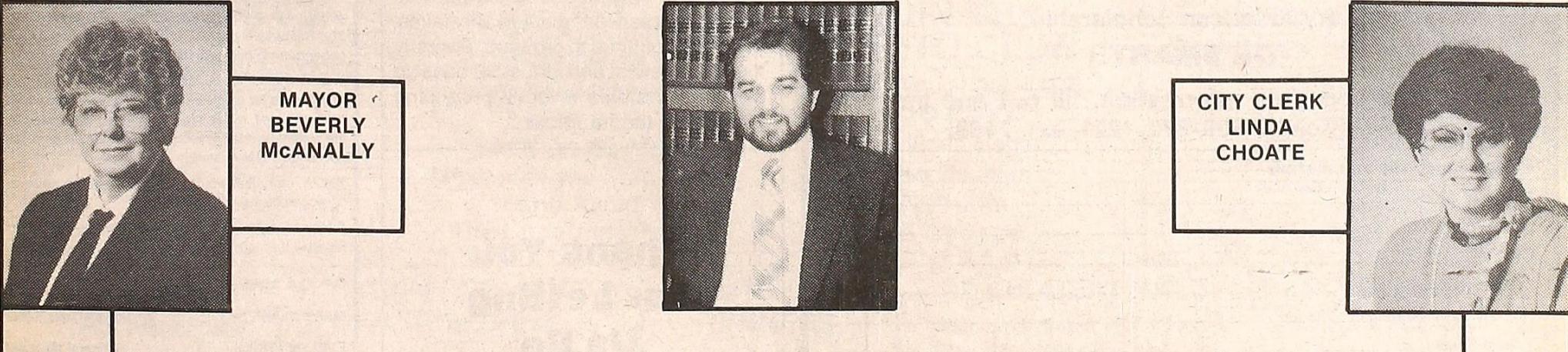


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Economic Development Equals Low City Taxes by Beverly McAnally

Once in a while, when talking to residents about the reasons that they like to live in Romulus, someone will mention low city taxes. When I hear that I am pleased because I know that person has taken a good look at a tax bill and understands how much money the city gets to operate.

They understand that each year, during the summer, the City of Romulus receives from all its property owners 9.2 mills for the operation of the City. That amounts to \$9.20 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation.

For instance let's say your house is worth \$50,000; equalized to \$25,000

A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

for tax purposes (you are taxed on half the value of your property) or .0092 x \$25,000 = \$230 a year city taxes.

That \$230 annual contribution buys for our residents city services including a year-round recreation program, park maintenance, road maintenance and improvement, winter snow removal, water and sewer system maintenance, police and fire protection, ordinance enforcement, senior citizen programs, and all the support staff and memberships to carry out these programs and others.

The City provides livelihood to 192 families of full-time employees and jobs for 109 part-time persons.

As we think about the beneficial impact of business and industrial development toward keeping our city taxes low, our services expanded and our people employed, we know we must plan carefully to get the maximum beneficial impact from the best kind of development.

As illustration; contrast the \$25,000 SEV (\$203 in annual city tax) of a residential dwelling with the calculated benefit of a \$2 million hotel development; .0092 x 1,000,000 (SEV) = \$9,200 realized per year for city purposes from one new hotel. No community in Wayne County has better location for the hotel

industry than does Romulus.

Add to the direct tax benefit the cost of construction permits and inspections; the jobs made available in the community and the buying power those jobs generate and you have a beneficial situation that makes few demands on city services or schools and adds significantly to our tax base.

Of course, taxes alone do not fully support our city government and its many services. In fact, only one-third of the revenues that pay for our city's operation comes from taxes.

Other revenue sources are related to the amount of business activity going on in the city. Permits, Licenses, Fees, State shared revenues from Income Taxes, Sales Taxes; charges for services, all depend upon business and employment activities and make up two-thirds of our budget.

To be sure that future development is consistent with the city's needs and reflective of the wishes of the people, the city is now engaged in updating its Master Plan for land use.

The Planning Commission's nine members, who are community members from various areas of the city, are meeting regularly with consultants to create a current document upon which zoning and other land use decisions will be made in the future. Once completed, the Master Plan will come before the City Council for review and final adoption.

This important document will become the guide for land use throughout the city for many years to come and can only be changed through review of the Planning Commission and action by the City Council by amendment to the ordinance.

So, as you can see, the economic health of the community has a direct relationship to the amount of developmental investment and job creation that occurs. You see also that through our City Council, Planning Commission and Master Plan, that development is in the hands of the people.

And, if Romulus is to continue to enjoy good services and low City taxes, we must continue to grow and diversify our commercial and industrial base so we have a stable revenue producing source for the future. □

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Your latest edition featured the High School Homecoming, city ordinances, a report from State Representative Jim Kosteva, articles about the new police cadet program, Ronald McDonald's visit to the elementary schools and much, much more.

Each article was well written and showed either the positive programs or activities occurring in the city, or information to help the citizens of Romulus understand his/her city better. All articles dealt with Romulus and because of your efforts and those of your employees, our citizens will be better informed about what is happening in Romulus.

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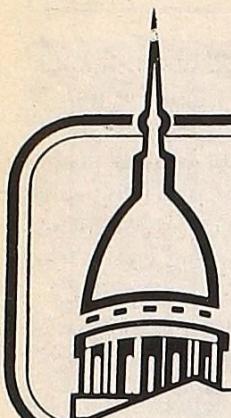
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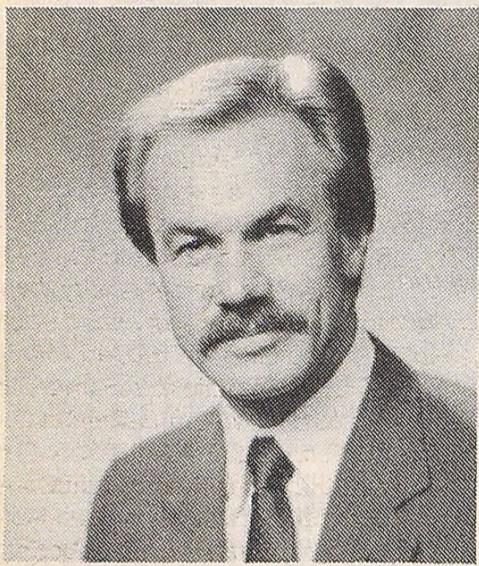
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Jim Kosteva

State Representative • 37th District

Weekly Update



*Jim Kosteva, State Representative,
37th District*

House would ban Medicaid discrimination by nursing homes: Legislation forbidding nursing homes from using duration-of-stay contracts to require a family member to pay a private rate for a resident for two years before Medicaid reimbursement is accepted has been overwhelmingly approved by the House. The bill also prohibits nursing homes from requiring every nursing-home applicant to have a guardian or conservator before he is admitted.

Bill would establish some immunity for foster parents: A bill now before the House would prohibit foster children or their natural families from bringing a suit against a licensed foster parent for injuries allegedly suffered in the 'exercise of reasonable parental authority over the child.' Proponents of the measure say that it is needed to protect foster parents from annoyance suits brought by families who have lost custody of their children through court action.

Bill would bar county use of jail labor for personal profit: A bill has been introduced in the House that would make it a misdemeanor for a sheriff to use the work of county prisoners for personal benefit or profit. The bill, which parallels existing prohibitions on the use of the work of State Prison inmates, was introduced in response to reports that some county law enforcement personnel had used jail labor in private business enterprises.

House approves increased penalties for ethnic intimidation: The House has approved a bill that would add jail terms and liability damages to the sentences of persons convicted of felonies associated with racial, religious or ethnic intimidation. The bill would add two years in prison to the convicted

person's sentence and would allow victims or their families to sue the criminal and any organization that supported the crime. Victims could recover up to three times the actual damages, as well as 'pain-and-suffering' costs and attorney fees.

September unemployment lowest since 1978: Michigan recorded its lowest September unemployment rate since 1978. State officials say this low rate of 8.8 percent is the result of a substantial decline in the number of seasonal jobseekers.

Commission plans economic development for Great Lakes: The Great Lakes Governors Economic Development Planning Commission is working on a program for the Great Lakes region. Members from Michigan will meet with representatives from neighboring states to examine industry and product innovation, labor management and community relations, international trade and tourism and other issues that affect economic development in that region.

State Troopers take to classrooms to teach drug resistance: Beginning in January, 1988, Michigan State Police will begin a pilot program putting uniformed police officers in grade-school classrooms to teach fifth and sixth graders to resist peer pressure to experiment with and use harmful drugs. The course, DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education), will complement the existing Michigan model for Comprehensive School Health Education that is coordinated by the State Department of Education.

House package to end first-mortgage abuses approved by Senate panel: A package of House-passed bills to protect new home buyers and consumer investors by regulating first-mortgage lenders and brokers has been recommended for passage by the Senate Commerce and Technology Committee. The legislation would give the State Financial Institutions Bureau (FIB) greater authority to regulate mortgage companies and monitor loan transactions, as well as apply sanctions to violators.

Low-interest loans for housing rehabilitation: A House subcommittee has sent to the full House a bill which provides for low-interest loans and subsidies for housing rehabilitation of low-income households. The bill includes bonding for housing developments, and provides grants for technical assistance to non-profit developers.

Development fund for road im-

provements recommended by House panel: The House Transportation Committee has approved a bill creating a Transportation Economic Development Fund (TEDF) to provide a continuing source of funds for road improvements needed for major industrial developments. Funding for the TEDF, which would be administered by a board including representatives of local governments, would come from increased fees for automobile title transactions, driver license renewal and increased use taxes for trucks.

Greater cooperation among local governments target of House bill: The House has approved a bill designed to facilitate greater cooperation among local units of government in paying for and providing government services. Under the legislation, two or more municipalities could agree to share the tax revenues collected from certain commercial and industrial properties to offset increased costs associated with regional development.

Bill would protect employees who seek mental health assistance: Legislation prohibiting employers from discriminating against workers who seek help for mental health problems has been introduced in the House. The bill would forbid employers from firing or refusing to hire a person because the person had sought treatment in the past or was presently receiving help.

Bill introduced to allow State-Park discount for mentally impaired: A bill allowing organizations serving mentally retarded people to receive free State Park passes has been introduced in the House. The legislation makes Michigan's State Parks financially accessible to retarded adults and children and organizations that service them. Supporters say the free passes would help more skill-development programs extend the benefits of outdoor recreation to their clients.

Michigan agricultural commodity insurance created: Michigan farmers who suffer a financial loss due to failure of a grain warehouse would be able to recover most of their losses under a bill unanimously approved by a House subcommittee. The bill would create the Michigan Agricultural Commodity Insurance Fund, allowing farmers to collect all financial losses up to \$20,000 and 80 percent of the losses above \$20,000.

Fines increased for illegal hunting and fishing: State lawmakers are increasing penalties for those who hunt and fish illegally. Certain add-on fees

for specific offenses will increase from \$3 to \$10. The monies obtained from the increased fines will be credited to the Game and Fish Protection Fund, and be used to increase protection programs and enforcement measures.

Forest-development fund recommended by House panel: The House Agriculture and Forestry Committee has approved a bill creating a Forestry and Mineral Resource Development Fund within the State Treasury to provide grants for research and development projects aimed at expansion and new jobs in the State's mining- or forest-related industries. Under the legislation, HB 4906, the fund's board of directors would award grants for programs to improve resource-based industries in Michigan through the development of marketing programs, the collection of physical data or through conducting other research on the feasibility of mining or forestry enterprises.

\$5 million in clean Michigan grants available: Last year, the Legislature created the Clean Michigan Fund (CMF) to provide grants to individuals and groups attempting to establish technologies that would reduce the State's dependence on contaminating landfills. State lawmakers have appropriated almost \$5 million for CMF grants in nine funding areas, including recycling or composting capital, operational expenses and market development for recycled products. Prospective grant applicants should contact the Department of Natural Resources' Recovery Section in Lansing.

State receives Federal grant to improve water quality: The State has received a grant of \$908,000 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to improve its water-quality program. The grant, provided through the Clean Air Act, will be used for the State's water-quality planning and management activities, including updating the Critical Materials Register and mapping and managing ground-water data.

State government to study water contamination: The State will study the extent of organic and metal contamination in the Saginaw River and the Saginaw Bay. This is the first step of a long-range plan to identify various pollution sources, and institute remedial action to restore damaged resources.

Stronger groundwater protection proposed: A bill recently introduced in the House would strengthen State groundwater protection standards and increase anti-pollution law enforcement. Under the proposed law, existing water-protection programs in various State departments would be brought under a permanent environmental committee that would monitor discharges into the State's groundwater and enforce the new, tougher protection standards. Proponents of the measure say that the new organization would give higher priority to the prevention of groundwater contamination.

Tax amnesty reported a long-term success: The State Treasury reports that last year's tax amnesty program

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Kosteva Update

was successful in more ways than one. Not only did the effort result in collection of \$110 million in back taxes, but recent statistics show that 73 percent of those who paid back income taxes during last year's amnesty period filed income tax returns again for 1986. Treasury officials say they will begin regular collection procedures against those who did not file.

Communities receive \$1.2 million to prevent crime: State officials recently announced that communities across Michigan will share more than \$1.2 million in Federally funded grants to fight crime. Programs aided by the grants include juvenile-crime prevention, substance-abuse treatment, efforts to alleviate jail overcrowding with electronic monitoring equipment and neighborhood-watch organizations.

State grants awarded to fight auto theft: Michigan's Automobile Theft Prevention Authority has awarded \$1.5 million in grants to law-enforcement agencies in its second series of grants to promote regional auto-theft enforcement efforts. The 15 grants include crime-prevention efforts through community and neighborhood groups.

House passes speed-limit bill: The House recently voted to raise the speed

limit to 65 mph on rural Michigan interstates. The measure includes a uniform point and fine schedule for both rural and urban speeding. A \$5 surcharge on traffic tickets will be used exclusively for speed-limit enforcement. This bill has been sent to the Governor for his signature.

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She Trapped Me After 20 Years

by D. A. Atkins

I was 20 years old when I first saw her — a little 15-year-old girl on television singing country music. I had just gotten out of the Army and was starting my own musical career in the rock-music field. It was around 1956.

I had been out doing whatever it was I normally did at that time (probably nothing of any value), and I walked into the house to find my dad watching

this country-music program on channel nine. The voice caught my attention first, and when I looked at the little round T.V. screen, I looked upon what I thought to be the most beautiful girl I had ever seen in my life.

I asked my father who the girl was, and he informed me that her name was 'Little Evelyn.' I said to him, "Someday, I am going to marry that girl."

From then on, every Friday night that I didn't work, I made it a point to watch that country music show just so I could see the girl that I pictured to someday be my wife. I was getting heavy into playing the Chuck Berry and Elvis music, and soon I had a hit record of my own to contend with in 1958. The first thing I did was to go on the road myself, traveling from city to city, working various clubs and concert dates with some of the big boys. It didn't take very long to figure out that I wasn't as big as I thought I was. I got the big head, I thought I was a star and I was going for broke. Which is exactly what I did. I found out you can't buck the big music machine as an individual. I came back to Detroit after living in Phoenix for a year, but I had never forgotten that little country singer. I asked around town about her and found out that the show had been cancelled and she had moved away.

I wound up getting married and found that to be a 20-year mistake by every standard in the books. During that 20 years, I still played the local bars and honky-tonks, and, every

once in a while, asked about this girl that I couldn't get out of my mind.

I finally found out she was back in town, playing with her brother in her father's band. It seemed that every club I worked in, they either followed me into it to work or I was following them. We never did meet.

I had a marriage of ups and downs, and she did the same. The only difference was that she had two children now, both girls. She got divorced and had a terrible time existing, but continued to work in the music business. She finally re-married, this time to a member of her dad's band, a man she had known since she was very small. They had two more children, a boy and a girl. I still had no children, and by then was selling vacuum cleaners door to door and owned two sales shops of my own.

I was on my way to Ann Arbor one night when I heard a disc jockey announce her name, and that she was working with her dad and husband in Walled Lake. I started to head my car in that direction when I changed my mind. After all, she was married and so was I, so what was the use in going to see her? I went on to Ann Arbor.

In 1977, I started a country-music newspaper, and was featuring her dad in one of the articles in the first issue. I went to see them and found she was still playing drums for him, although her husband had died some four or five years earlier.

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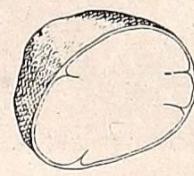
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She still looked the same to me — fresh, young and very beautiful, with eyes full of love and some mistrust all rolled up into one. I never will forget how she looked at me, and how I could hardly speak to her. This was the girl I had loved in secret for 20 years.

My wife and I were, at the time, having some very difficult problems, and divorce was just a matter of time even though most who knew us thought we were an ideal couple. I saw Evelyn from time to time, playing music with her dad and brother. In fact, I made special trips to see them whenever I possibly could. Before I became divorced, her brother passed away and it was a very traumatic time for both her and her brother's wife. I never really got to know her until that period of time. I held a couple of benefit jamborees to help his wife out of trouble, and finally hired Evelyn to play drums in my band.

We became very good friends, but never had anything to do with each other except for music.

My marriage finally came to an end because of my wife's alcohol problem. It was a marriage that should have ended after the first day.

This girl of my dreams continued to play drums for me for quite some time. I learned to love her children and continue to love them today, but I have never loved anyone as much as I did that little 15-year-old country-music singer that I now call my wife.

Yes, we have our problems, as most married couples do, but they are problems we both can deal with and still stay very much in love. I sure am glad I came home that evening in 1956 and watched that little country singer. She stole my heart then, and keeps it wound around her bosom now with a love no one could ever match. □



Halloween?), with a haunted castle in the midst of it all. Fran Corbin's son Jim was the one who designed it all and put it together, while grandson Christopher Leduc played in the leaves and anything else he could get into. He sure was cute.

Another stop found me at the home of Rick and Sandy Schwartz on Westvale. They weren't at home, but I got pictures of their cemetery scene, complete with marked graves and a life-sized coffin with a gruesome occupant, anyway. Bet they had a great time putting that one together.

Later Halloween Night, I went to the Romulus Police Department to see how candy was checked for foreign

And, of course, there was at least one person with a really sick mind out there. As I was leaving the police station, I ran into Matt Tieppo, who had just gone under the I-94 overpass on Wayne Road and been the victim of someone either throwing something through his side window or shooting it out — he wasn't sure which. He was there to make a police report. Luckily, the girl and her friend in the back seat were not injured.

All in all, this year's Halloween went off pretty well, with only a few minor incidents.

The only major disaster I found, other than the broken car window, was at Romulus Video. If you had walked

HALLOWEEN WAS QUIET — ENJOYABLE!

by D. A. Atkins

Halloween was a great time for a lot of kids in the Romulus School District.

Halecreek Elementary, in the Meadows Subdivision, had some spooky-looking 'creatures' in the hallways, hiding around corners and welcoming people to the 'dark side.' Some of the kids were absolutely elated; some were scared to death.

Some of the little ones could barely stand the suspense they encountered while walking down totally black hallways with weird music and sound effects coming from the loudspeaker system. It was all worth it, though, for as they walked down past each classroom, someone was there to hand out candy. The rooms were so dark that they couldn't see into them — only a scary face peering out at them. After they had traveled around to all of the rooms, they wound up in the cafeteria area, where they were served donuts, hot dogs and punch.

From Halecreek, I went to Cory Elementary at Wayne Road near the Windcliff Subdivision.

Cory School is not as large as Halecreek, so things there were on a slightly smaller scale. They also had sound effects and lots of goodies, and everyone was having a great time. (After all, on Halloween, who cares about anything except how much candy you get? I never did.)

On Friday, I traveled to the Junior High on Wick Road to take in the Annual Halloween Dance. I arrived late in the afternoon, but still found about 300 kids dancing about in their costumes.

The sound system was terrific, and the darkened room with 'dance floor' lighting set the perfect atmosphere for the holiday event. The kids were holding hands, dancing close, running from one part of the gym to another to gossip, whispering (spooky?) things in the ears of their friends, and saying goodbye to those who had to leave early.

One girl spotted the camera I was carrying and asked if I was a parent. Truthfully, I said yes, but didn't go on to explain that I was also a reporter, so she immediately proceeded to ignore me. When I tried to get her to pose for a picture, she looked at me like I was from Outer Space — why would some dumb parent want a picture of someone other than his own kid? Her picture appears on this page along with the others. Maybe now she will remember seeing me — surprise!

There was a sharp 1950 Ford in the parking lot as I was leaving the school, and I thought it might bring back a few memories to some of you who attended the old high school on Olive Street in the '50s. It sure reminded me of the old days, with the flames spreading from front to back and the owner, Jack Farmer, looking very proud of his possession. I wonder how long it will be before they come back in style again (the paint jobs, not the cars).

Back to Halloween Day again, I traveled around to some of the subs in town and found some well-thought-out displays for front yards. At the Corbin residence we found a miniature cemetery (or should I say graveyard during



items that would be harmful to kids. It was done with a metal detector under a paper box. The candy was placed on top of the box and passed over the detector. If metal of any sort was in the candy, the detector made a loud buzzing sound that indicated danger. I picked up a few pieces of candy while I was there, also!

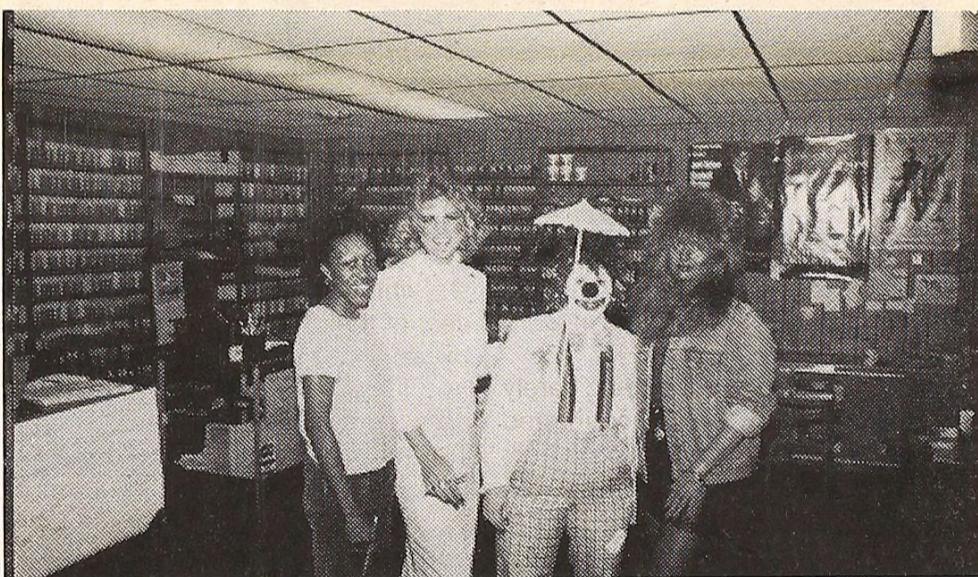
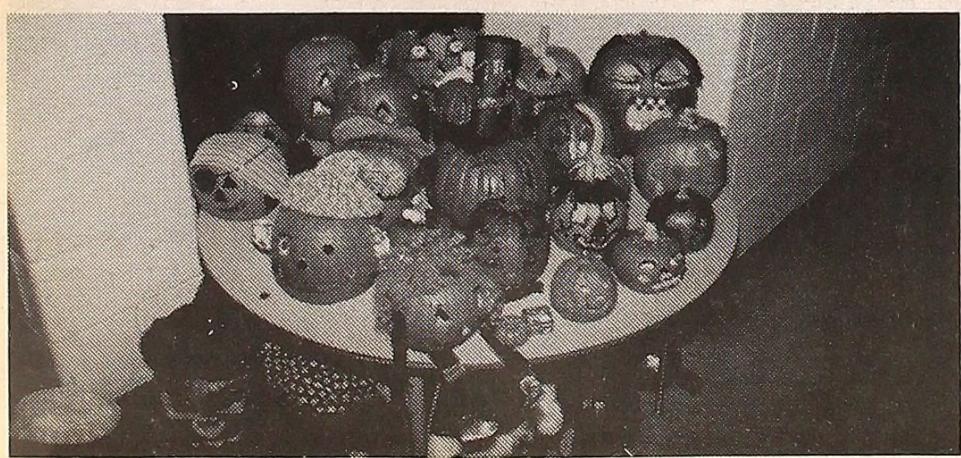
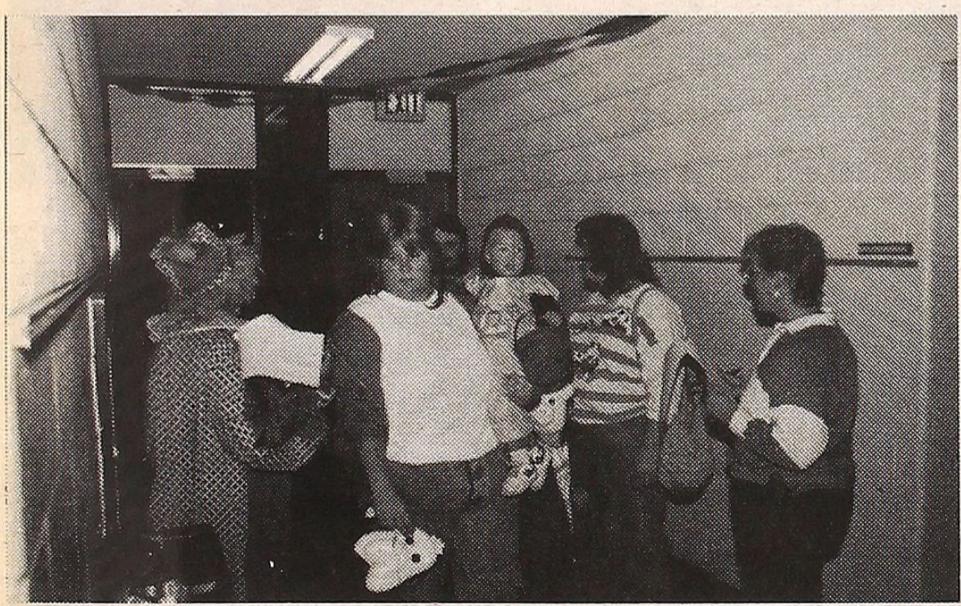
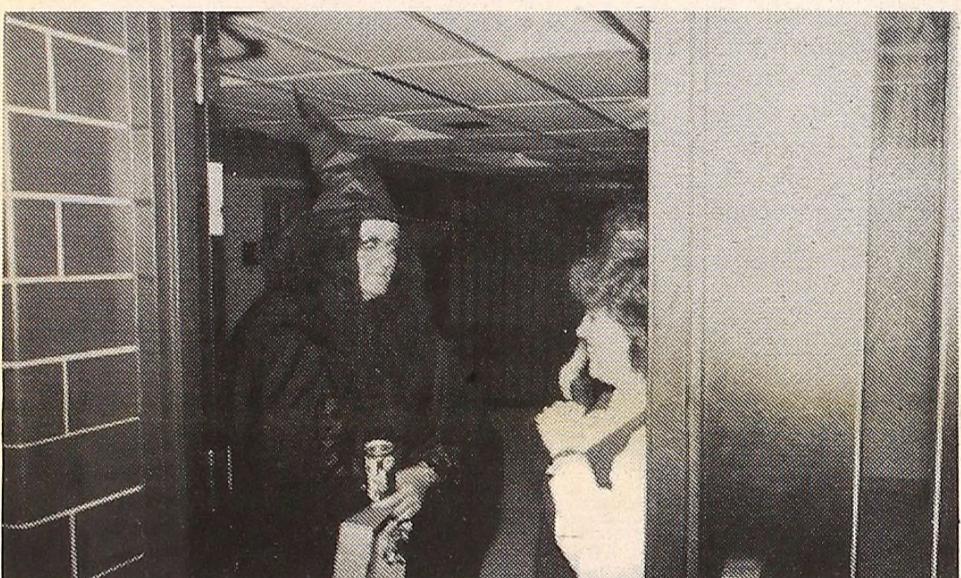
in there and seen how those girls were dressed, it would have scared you to death: scraggly hair, short skirts, ugly legs, big feet, extra-large noses, and behinds that you had to measure with a two-by-four from a very large barn. When I asked them who designed their costumes for them, I was informed by

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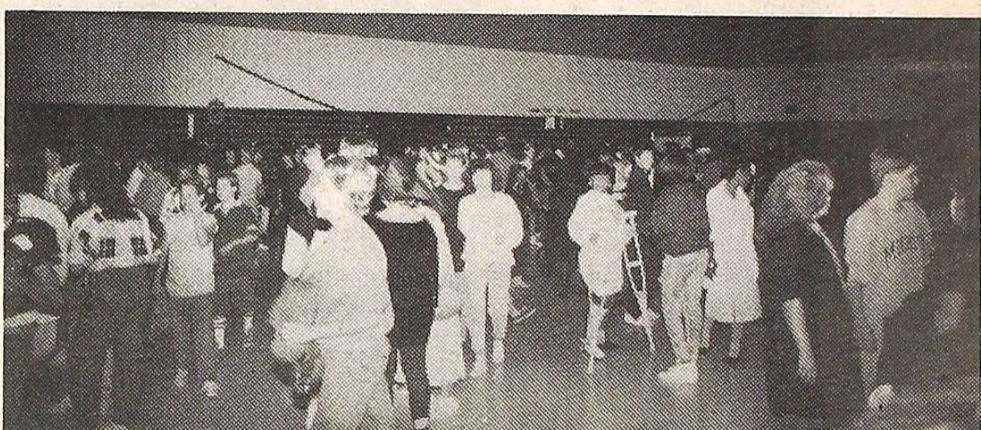
Halloween

Tracy Russan that they hadn't changed into them yet! When I asked Dean Blackburn, the manager, when he was going to change into his costume, he said he already had.

Oh, well, just another Halloween past! □



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THE POLICE BEAT

by D. A. Atkins

The Romulus Police Department has done more hiring and promoting in the last two weeks. Officer Emmett Barnes, who has been with the Department since 1983, was promoted to Uniformed Sergeant (no pay increase). The ceremony took place in the City Council Chambers, with the Mayor swearing him in as Sergeant and his father in attendance.

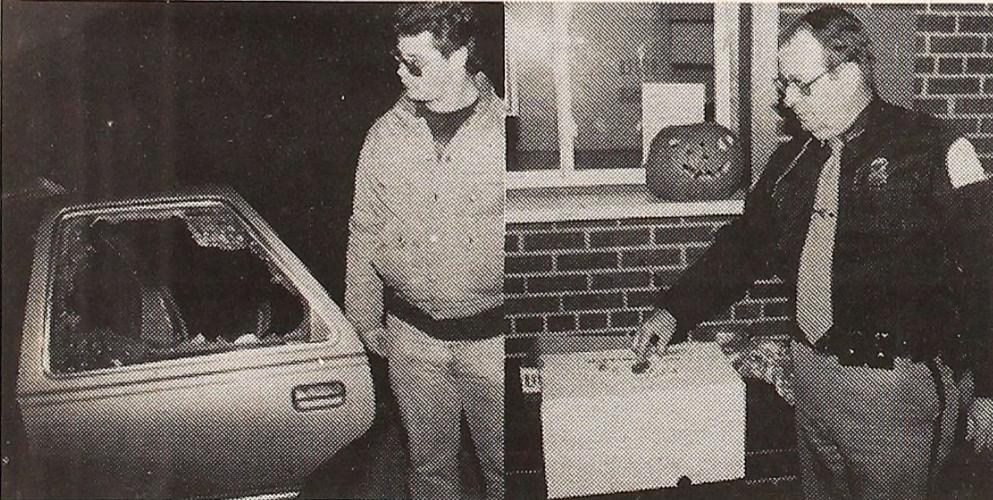
The other promotion came to Officer Kenneth Landstrom, age 29, formerly with the Van Buren Police Department, as a part-time employee.

Two more certified officers were hired, Kevin Grant, age 29, formerly

with the Plymouth Township Police, and Lenn White, 34, who was with the Garden City Police Department for eight years.

It is interesting to note that, with the addition of more police officers, auto theft is down this year by seven percent. Good work, guys, and good work on keeping vandalism to a low on Devil's Night this year.

There was a police chase through the City October 30, with one man being arrested and another released. The automobile pictured here is owned by the man who was released. □



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City in Great Financial Shape According to Last Audit

by D. A. Atkins

According to the latest independent audit from Rehmann and Robson, certified public accountants, the City is in relatively good shape as far as finances go. The only really serious problem still lies in the Treasurer's Office. We are now approximately \$25,000 plus interest poorer because the figure reported to the County regarding delinquent taxes to be collected was incorrect. The biggest reason for the under-collected funds is that those figures were given to the County verbally instead of in writing. There is evidently not much of a chance of getting those uncollected funds for the City now.

They also reported that the receipts

are being done manually, and that a manual system is very costly and ineffective. They suggest that the computer system in the Treasurer's Office be hooked up and used, as it would eliminate many steps and, in turn, save the taxpayers money.

In the fiscal year of 1986-1987, the City has improved its financial condition by \$866,230 more than the projected \$1-million fund balance, and they said that the administration should be commended for its management of fiscal operations.

All problem areas have been evaluated, and steps are being taken to correct them. □

Would You Like A Lighted City?

by D. A. Atkins

Wouldn't it be nice to drive through the City at night and have all kinds of lighting to see by? Wouldn't it be nice if, because of the lighting, the crime rate dropped drastically, especially breaking and enterings? And wouldn't it be nice if we could get it done without it costing us anything?

Well, it may all come to pass (with the exception of us not paying for it).

The real problem is that there are some parts of the City that have only two or three homes on a street, so it would be very hard to light those streets unless there were development plans in the works.

It would probably cost a taxpayer in Romulus an approximate 2.5-mil increase on the assessed value of his property. Some would say that we are being taxed to death; there are others who know what they are talking about who would tell you we have one of the lowest city tax levies in this state.

Frankly, complete (or as nearly complete as possible) City lighting would be one of the greatest things

that has ever happened to the City of Romulus. It would be nice to drive down Wayne Road, Wick Road, or some other dark street, and be able to see things that you have never been able to see at night before. It would be nice that, if someone drove down your street too fast, or threw beer bottles out of the windows, you would be able to see the plate number on the car and turn it in to the police department. It would be nice to be able to walk down a street at night with your husband, wife or children, and not be afraid of someone attacking you because they would know that they would most likely be seen and caught. City lighting would be a very nice plus.

I don't know where it stands at this point in time, but I do know there is talk of more street lighting coming to town. Beneficial, yes; effective, yes; cost-free, no.

But, then again, whenever there is something that is worth having, is it ever free? □

City Attorney Appointed to Task Force

Dorothy Comstock Riley
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Michael F. Cavanagh
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Dennis W. Archer
Robert P. Griffin
Associate Justices

Michigan Supreme Court

Lansing, Michigan 48909

September 15, 1987

Mr. Michael Berry
2000 Cadillac Tower
Detroit, MI 48226

Dear Mr. Berry:

On behalf of the Michigan Supreme Court I write to thank you for accepting our invitation to serve as a member of the Task Force on Racial/Ethnic Issues in the Courts. Enclosed please find a copy of the Administrative Order establishing the two task forces on bias issues, and the names of the members of each group.

We are delighted that former Chief Justice G. Mennen Williams has agreed to serve as honorary chairperson of each task force. Knowing Justice Williams, I am sure he will be taking an active role in supporting the chairs and members of each group in their important tasks.

Few issues are more vital to our nation and people than the principle of equal justice, under law, for all. The recommendations of the Citizens' Commission to Improve Michigan's Courts, supervised by Justice Patricia Boyle, confirmed our resolve to review our adherence to that principle within the court system. Your willingness to assist in this endeavor is most appreciated.

Initial staffing for the two task forces will be provided by the State Court Administrative Office, and you will shortly be receiving information concerning the initial meeting of the task force to which you have been appointed.

The Supreme Court and the People of Michigan look forward to your recommendations.

Yours very truly,

Dorothy Comstock Riley
Dorothy Comstock Riley
Chief Justice

DCR:jb

HALECREEK SCHOOL — ART MCPHARLIN, PRINCIPAL WEEKLY ACTIVITIES, NOVEMBER 1987

DAY	ACTIVITY	TIME	ROOM
Monday	After-School Program 3rd & 4th Grades (Romulus Recreation) Cub Scout Pack 1739 — Den #6 Cub Scout Pack 1739 — Den #7 Karate Class Brownie Troop #291	2:45-4:45 2:45-4:30 2:45-4:30 6:00-8:00 6:30-7:30	Gym Art Cafeteria Cafeteria Gym
Tuesday	After-School Program 5th & 6th Grades (Romulus Recreation) Bible Club Cub Scouts Cub Scouts — Den #3 Basketball Practice/St. Aloysius First Tuesday of the Month — Tiger Cubs Third Tuesday of the Month — Cub Scout Adult Meeting	2:45-4:45 2:45-4:00 2:45-4:00 4:00-6:30 5:30-9:30 6:30-7:30 7:00-9:00	Gym Music Art Art Gym Art Art
Wednesday	P.A.L. program for 4-Year-Olds After-School Program 3rd & 4th Grades (Romulus Recreation) Basketball Practice/St. Aloysius	9:30-11:00 2:45-4:45 2:45-4:00 5:30-9:30	Room 3 Gym Gym Gym
Thursday	After-School Program 5th & 6th Grades (Romulus Recreation) Basketball Practice/St. Aloysius Girl Scout Troop #215 Cub Scouts Children's Theatre Group Second Thursday of the Month — Scout Leader Round Table Last Thursday of the Month — Monthly Pack Meeting	2:45-4:45 5:30-9:30 6:00-7:00 6:00-7:00 6:30-8:00 7:00-9:00 7:00-9:00 7:00-9:00	Gym Gym Library Art Music Cafeteria & Art Cafeteria
Friday	Webelos Meeting Basketball Practice/St. Aloysius	5:00-6:00 5:30-9:30	Art Gym

Joanie Hardrick Age 34

Joanie D. Hardrick, age 34, of 13502 Aston, Romulus, Michigan, died October 18, 1987, at Heritage Hospital in Taylor. Joanie was the beloved mother of Richard Glenn, Billie Jo and Tracey Marie Hardrick, daughter of Kathleen Powers, and sister of Ronnie L. Powers, all of Romulus.

Joanie was a former employee of the Polka-Dot Party Pantry and the Pizza Barn, both in Romulus, and was a former gospel singer at the Crossway Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held October 20, 1987, at 1 p.m. at Baum-Crane Funeral Home, Romulus, with Rev. Danny F. Tackett, Romulus Freewill Baptist Church, officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock. Arrangements were made by Baum-Crane Funeral Home. □

William Stears Age 72

William E. Stears, age 72, of 15468 Middlebelt Road, Romulus, Michigan, died October 26, 1987 at Rogers City Hospital, Rogers City, Michigan. He was the beloved husband of Joyce, and the dear father of William Jr., Miss Kathleen M. Stears, Mrs. Sally L. Waugh and Mrs. Rick (Peggy M.) Staten. He is survived by sisters Mrs. Elizabeth Kamin, Mrs. Josephine Gilstorf, and Mrs. Mary Russow, and also by two grandchildren.

William was the owner/operator of Stears hardware, and was a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ.

Funeral services were held Friday, October 30, 1987, at 11 a.m. at Baum-Crane Funeral Home, Romulus, with Alvin Kaufman and Larry Hawkins officiating. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park, and the arrangements were made by Baum-Crane Funeral Home. □

Lula Green Custodian at Barth School

Mrs. Lula Green, head custodian at Barth Elementary, passed away on Saturday, September 26. Mrs. Green, who will be missed by both students

and school staff members, held the distinction of being the first head custodian in the Romulus School District. □

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11338 Ozga Road / Romulus, Michigan 48174
(313) 941-0236
Marvin Hawbaker, Pastor
Rev. Lonnie England, Pastor
Bob Casement, Associate Pastor

Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:00 p.m.

— CHURCH OF CHRIST —

9426 S. Wayne Road / Romulus, Michigan 48174
Office: (313) 941-1105
Daily Bible Message (313) 941-1004
Evangelist Joe Hickman
(313) 941-6659

Bible Study	Sunday	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship		11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship		6:00 p.m.
Bible Study	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.

— CHURCH OF GOD - ROMULUS —

8770 S. Wayne Road / Romulus, Michigan 48174
Parsonage: (313) 729-7243
Church: (313) 729-4884
Rev. Douglas M. Bishop, Pastor

Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Children's Church	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship	6:30 p.m.
Family Training Service	Wednesday

— MARTIN TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST —

6566 S. Wayne Road / Romulus, Michigan 48174
Rev. E. Martin, Pastor

Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship	12:00 p.m.
Prayer and Bible Study	Tuesday
Friday Worship Service	5:30 p.m.

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11160 Olive Street / Romulus, Michigan 48174
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37300 Goddard Road (5 Points) Romulus, Michigan 48174
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Rev. Randy Swink, Pastor

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Bible Study	Tuesday
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Dying to Stop for School Buses

by D. A. Atkins

There was something brought to my attention last week, a very important subject as a matter of fact. The subject has to do with people not stopping for school buses.

School buses carry our kids to and from school five, and sometimes six, days a week. The flashing lights on those buses mean you are supposed to stop a certain distance behind the bus until the lights quit flashing and the kids are safe. Some people do not do that.

If you do not stop for a school bus, you are in violation of the law and can be arrested. Not only *can* you be arrested, you *should* be arrested, and have the book thrown at you, too. For some strange reason, and it has always been like this, you find a few individuals who do not, and never have, obeyed the laws regarding buses that stop to load or unload children.

What they need to remember is that kids are important little people. Sometimes they are not wise enough to look both ways before stepping out into the street, and, even if they are that wise, it only takes one person driving too fast to kill a little like before he or she ever has the chance to get out of the way.

As adult drivers, we are supposed to know the laws of the State regarding vehicle safety. I am aware that most or all of you know the laws. Abiding by them is sometimes a different story.

The way the world lives today, it is extremely important that we rush from one thing to another. In fact, it is so important that we hurry that we sometimes do not determine in our minds which important things should take precedence. All of us need to think about these priorities, or else we might find ourselves having a day that goes something like this:

I was late getting to the office today. The boss sure was mad at me. He said that if I had just gotten up a little earlier, or traveled a few miles per hour faster, I could have been to work on time. He almost fired me because I was late. Can you imagine that? The nerve of that guy — who does he think he is, anyway? Oh, well, just another day started off on the wrong foot.

Today is Judy's birthday. Judy is my little girl, and just started the first grade this year. She sure is a sweet little thing. I guess you could say she is

the light of my life. I know that some might think I say that just because she belongs to me, but that isn't so. She gets me my slippers when I get home from work every day, and then climbs into my lap and tells me how much she loves me before we eat supper. We sit at the table and she says grace — a prayer that she learned the Sunday before at Sunday School. She tells me and her mom what went on at school that day and how madly in love she is with Phillip, the little boy that sits across the room from her. She declares

that he is the only true love in her life and that they are going steady now, and, someday, she will marry him.

I know that after she has her cake and ice cream today, she will be the happiest little girl in the world. After all, her mom invited Phillip to the party so that Dad can meet the man she will marry.

Guess I had better leave early today to get her presents and be sure I am there when she gets home from school. I have to get the cake and ice cream too. I wonder if I should buy Phillip anything? Maybe I'll just shake his hand like a little adult and see if he is the right girl for my daughter. After all, they have a lot of years to court each other and I want to get off on the right foot with him.

I'm all caught up with my work now, so I guess I can leave. The boss won't care even though I was late — he isn't mad at me anymore because I made a pretty big sale for him today.

Let's see — I'll stop and get the cake first, then the present, and the ice cream last. She likes that chocolate ice cream with the vanilla swirled in it. I guess I had better hurry, since she will be home in half an hour.

I have the cake, presents, and ice cream now. Only ten minutes 'til my baby gets home and I can't be late, it would really upset her, because Daddy is still her favorite guy even though she is going to marry this Phillip guy. Funny how little kids think they are so grown up at such an early age. I better stop and call my wife to see if I have overlooked anything.

"Hi, Honey, it's me. Anything else you need before I get home? It's almost time for Judy to be there now, so I have to hurry."

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She says no, there is nothing else, but that Judy has hurt herself at school and needs to be picked up at the bus stop. I'm upset that my little girl has hurt herself, even though it isn't serious. My wife will have to carry her from the bus stop to the house, which will delay everything, and, worst of all, Judy won't have as much fun because she is hurt. Maybe I can make it up to her in some way — you know, give her an extra kiss or two, tell her that she's Daddy's Girl, and remind her that Phillip will be there with her.

I wish they wouldn't post these 25-mph speed limits in this neighborhood. They're bad enough, but these #*&@ school buses seem to stop every ten feet to let a bunch of screaming kids off.

There's my street now — just one block away. Maybe if I speed up a little I can beat the bus and be there when

Judy gets home with her mom. If I floor it, I know I can beat it. There, all the way to the floor — I know I'll pass it now.

What is going on with that crazy driver? I can't stop now for those lights. Can't she see I'm in a hurry? No need to try to stop now, I can't because I'm going too fast. I should beat anyone coming from in front of the bus.

Who is that crazy woman walking in front of me? I can't stop!

There is a deep, sickening thud from the front of my car. My God! I've hit that poor woman. Why didn't she look where she was going? About half sick to my stomach, I get out of my car to see if she is all right.

On the ground in front of me is the crumpled body of my wife, lifeless, holding in her arms the limp body of Judy. A little boy stands beside me, crying. His name is Phillip. □

A MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR CLASS

by Mary E. Clark

October at the Senior Tower was a very busy month. The Tenant's Club elected new officers: President, Ethel LaMar, Vice-President, Frances Filek, and Secretary-Treasurer, Gerry Westbay. We wish them the best of luck as they serve the residents of the Towers.

The out-going President, Dorothy LaLonde, did a magnificent job for a very long time. As one of her last social functions, she directed the combined Anniversary and Birthday Party for October. Special guests were Mayor McAnally, members of the City Council, the City Treasurer and City Clerk. Those who celebrated birthdays were Gerry Westbay, Marian Schrieber, Alma Fountain, Mildred Matthews, Esther Yacoune, Pat Sweeney, Eva Harrison, Ercell Sands and Margaret Haliburda. Everyone had a good time — the food was delicious, the service wonderful and it was an excellent example of Dorothy's expertise.

The new maintenance man, Verdell Bailey, just got married. His wife, Pearl, is a policewoman at the Wayne Police Station. Congratulations to both and we do hope their marriage will be long and happy.

The very wonderful Bea Baer is still monitoring blood pressures for those who need her. Thank you, Bea, for being so kind and helpful.

The annual **Bazaar and Bake Sale** will be held at the Towers November 5, 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Every-

one is welcome to come and shop. There will be many craft articles and yummy baked goods. See you there!

What a job of decorating for Halloween! It was done by Gerry Westbay.

Let's all hope that the turbulence is over, and the State of California will be calm and serene while Jean Smith is vacationing there. We want her to come home calm and relaxed, not shaken to pieces.

I would be very grateful to any and all Senior Citizens who will give me the news about what is going on with them. We want to write about all our Seniors in Romulus. Please write me:

Mary Clark
The Romulus News
36615 Goddard
Romulus, MI 48174
or call me at 941-1907 □

Legal Aide

Wayne County residents at least 60 years old are eligible for free legal assistance in most civil matters, excluding criminal, personal, injury, worker's compensation, and bankruptcy cases. Legal Aide will be visiting the Center on Thursday, December 3, from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mark your calendar. It's first come, first served. No appointment necessary.

And mark your calendars for:

November 4: Free Health Screening. Call 467-4638 for an appointment.

November 9: Inauguration Day —

11:30 a.m.

November 10: Pot Luck Dinner (turkey provided) — 5 p.m.

November 15: \$100 deposit due for Las Vegas early-bird special.

December 7: Blood-pressure check — 1-3 p.m. (Note: blood-pressure screenings take place on the first Monday of each month.)

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Medicare Deductible and Premium Increase

The annual increase in Medicare's basic medical insurance premium and the Medicare hospital insurance deductible, and daily amounts paid by patients was announced recently. The new charges are effective January 1, 1988.

The beneficiary share of the cost of Medicare is calculated each year based on a review of increases in program and health care costs for the preceding year. Hospital insurance coverage is automatic for people who enroll upon reaching age 65 after having worked long enough for benefits under the Social Security or Railroad Retirement system. However, medical insurance, which helps pay doctor bills and other medical bills not covered by hospital insurance, requires a monthly premium. About three-fourths of the cost of the medical insurance program is paid for by the Federal Government from general revenues.

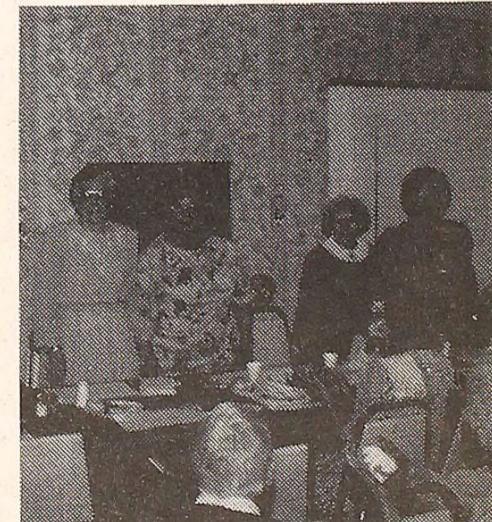
The basic medical insurance premium will increase by \$6.90 — from \$17.90 to \$24.80 monthly. The amount the patient pays for covered hospital insurance deductible and coinsurance will increase as follows:

- from \$520 to \$540 for the first 60 days
- from \$130 to \$135 a day for the 61st through the 90th day
- from \$260 to \$270 a day for the 60

hospital reserve days

- for the 21st through the 100th day in a skilled nursing facility, from \$65 to \$67.50.

The monthly Medicare hospital insurance premium for people who are not insured under the Social Security or the Railroad Retirement Act increases from \$226 to \$234. □



**Happy
Birthday
Seniors**

HERE'S TO YOUR HEALTH

by Dan Elwart, D.C.

Over the years, many of our patients had complained of problems of tossing and turning all night because of sore or stiff neck muscles. We finally decided to write down some rules and tips for preparing the spine for sleep. We have used this 'exercise' for the last 20 or so years, and our patients have found it to be helpful. We hope you find it helpful, too.

Since sleep is necessary for the restoration and maintenance of health (most of our body's repair is done during sleep), it is of vital importance to get a sound, restful one.

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put about three quarters of the support to the neck and the rest on the head and shoulders. You should feel pressure on the neck but *not* pain.

Before going to bed, the spine must be put through a range of motion to loosen the muscles. Turn your head to each side; tilt the chin up and down several times.

Lying on your back, prop the towel under the neck for at least fifteen minutes, at which time the towel may be removed and you can then use a pillow and sleep on your side or back. Many

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of our patients have found they could have a more restful sleep by using the towel all night.

Oh! by the way, don't sleep on your stomach, as this will keep your head twisted, putting pressure on sensitive nerves in the neck.

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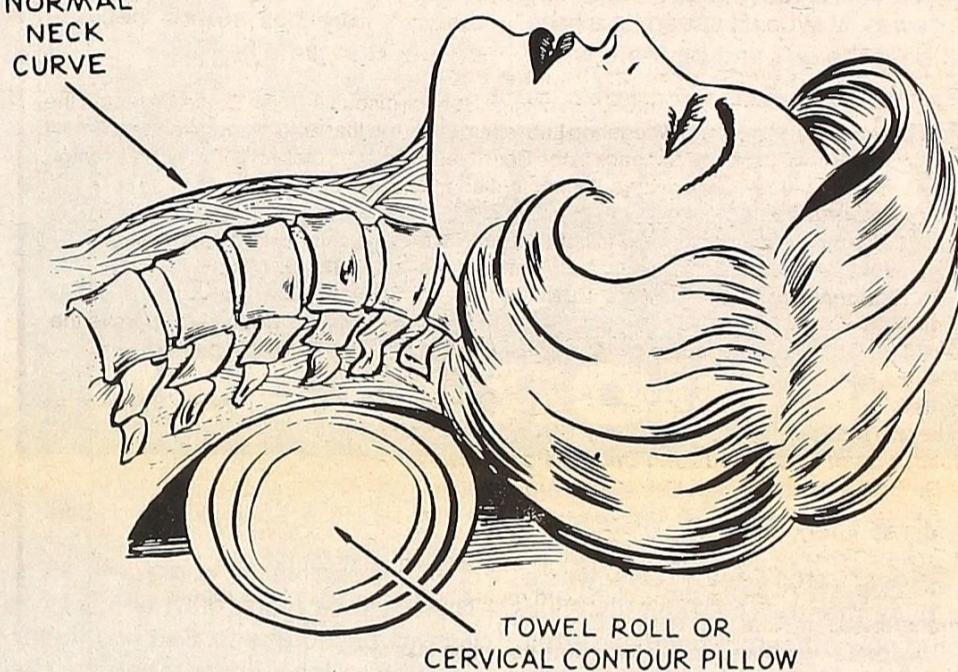
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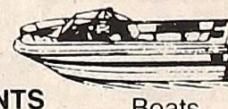
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Regular Meeting, October 12, 1987

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held Monday, October 12, 1987, was called to order by Vice President Wilkerson at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call showed Member Patterson (excused). All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice President Wilkerson.

Approval of Agenda:

Dr. Bedell requested that under Report of the Superintendent Item E. "Surplus Equipment" be dropped and that Item G. "Discussion of Debt Funds and Budget Possibilities" be brought up under Item B. "Bills for Payment".

10/87/1 Moved by Berlinn supported by King the Board of Education approve the Agenda as amended by Dr. Bedell. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

10/87/2 Moved by Berlinn supported by Langley the Board approve the Minutes of September 28, 1987, as presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public:

Mr. Terry Bird, Teacher, Romulus Senior High School, discussed with Board Members the poor condition of Room #408 (Woodshop Lab) since the fire in that area. Superintendent Bedell and Administrator Carr will report back to the Board regarding this matter. They will be attempting to have insurance company and contractors complete work.

Personnel Actions

Dr. LeCesne recommended the following Personnel Actions for Board approval:

A. Leave of Absence: Norma Cofield, Para - Barth, 10/5/87 - 9/7/88.

B. Resignation: Cynthia Cavers, Custodian - Barth, Eff. 9/28/87.

10/87/3 Moved by Berlinn supported by Langley the Board of Education approve the Personnel Actions as presented by Dr. LeCesne. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

10/87/4 Moved by King supported by Langley Board approve Bills for Payment as presented by Administrator Carr. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Discussion of Debt Funds and Budget Possibilities

Dr. Bedell discussed this item with Board Members.

Mr. Tom Chen, Daverman Associates, Inc., will be doing a feasibility study for the District. There was much discussion by the Board and audience.

Clayton Environmental Report - Wick/Jr. High

Administrator Carr addressed the Board regarding the findings of this report.

Para's Released Time

This item was discussed, but there was no action taken.

Participation in City Auction

10/87/5 Moved by Bales supported by King the Board of Education authorize the District to participate in the City Auction. The Board is to be notified of items for sale prior to the auction for possible removal of items. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Lobbying Effort - Revolving Fund

10/87/6 Moved by Berlinn supported by King the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve a \$100.00 expenditure and give its support to efforts made by the Michigan Association of County Treasurers to preserve tax notes as per the correspondence presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

State Board Finance Reform

Dr. Bedell made a report to Board Members regarding this item.

French Club Trip

10/87/7 Moved by Langley supported by Berlinn the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the high school trip to France from March 26, 1988, to April 9, 1988, as per the memo presented. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. Bedell discussed the following Items of Interest with Board Members: 1) Finance Minutes; 2) U of M Accreditation Letter; 3) Board Grievance Committee Letter; 4) Proposed Budget Cuts - Dunn; 5) Cebula Letter; and 6) Dunn Letter - PAC.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Members Berlinn and Wilkerson reported on MASB convention workshop on school business partnership.

Member Kesner inquired about the clocks not working at Cory School.

Member King 1) reported on workshop at Intermediate on AIDS and provided package of information for those interested; 2) reported on condition of Culinary Arts Room at Senior High; and 3) asked status of band bus.

Member Wilkerson requested status on bus wash.

Executive Session - Negotiations

10/87/8 Moved by Berlinn supported by Langley the Board convene in Executive Session for purpose of Negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

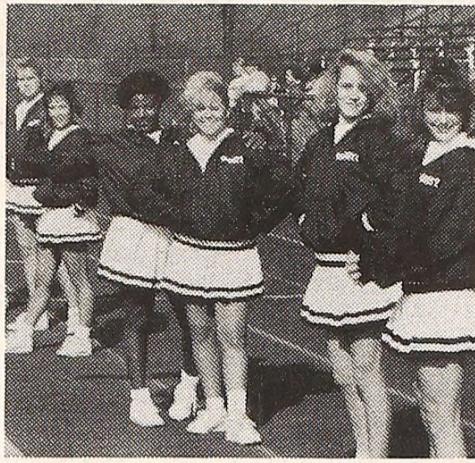
The Board convened in Executive Session at 9:19 p.m. and reconvened in Regular Session at 9:32 p.m.

Adjournment:

10/87/9 Moved by Berlinn supported by Kesner the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel R. Bales, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education



1987-88 Cheerleading Squad

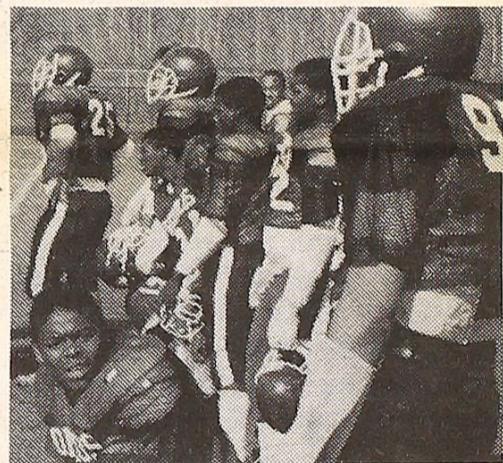
A special thanks goes out to the girls on another fine year. This program is often lost in our thoughts, as players, coaches and fans take these young athletes for granted. They win and lose with the teams every week, and at the same time have to try and keep everyone's spirits up. They practice and work on assemblies and other extra projects to try and pick up school pride and spirit, and too often do so without a simple thank you. If you see any of the following girls in the next few days, a hug would probably be great, but a simple thank you would say a lot.

A Very Special Thank You to Mrs. Serena Hardrick and her squad members: Rebecca Bales, Beth Bergman, Jodie Brothers, Denise Chafins, Sylvia Harris, Tammy Rosinski, and Kim Seabolt, and to the Varsity Cheerleaders, Shannon Connolly, Denise Felliciano, Chris Fortune, Cindy Freitag, Makela Grundy, Jodie Miller, Judie Miller, and Tonya Rutledge. □

Next year we will have a large junior team, with solid senior leadership. We'll have a healthy Chris Cox back in the line; Rick Champagne, probably our leading tackler this year, returns, and Robert Hoth, Arol Trinity and Ali Campbell will all be back in the backfield. Our offensive line of Thom Patterson, Jamie Sypula, Maurice Windham, Ralph Farrell and Chris all return, and on defense Rick and Dasein Coleman, Tony Callockio, Paul Nowicki and Ed Miller return with many other fine players to support them. If we can generate some support from the school and community to let these fine athletes know you care about their efforts, I'm sure our school and community will be proud of our Eagle team next year."

Just a couple of closing notes on this season. A special thanks to the parents for their support all season. The players and coaches don't always say it, but they sure appreciate all you do. And to the players and students at Romulus High, remember that last year's last-place team, Ann Arbor Huron, was this year's League Champion, just because they wanted to prove something. Maybe our group wants to, and, more important, needs to, prove something also — especially to themselves.

See you next season, fans! □



Romulus Kids on Channel 50

Channel 50's news crew, travelling from place to place in a hot-air balloon to see what kids in its viewing area were up to, stopped by Romulus to film the Punt, Pass & Kick competition sponsored by the Romulus Recreation Department. It will air Friday, November 27, at 5 p.m. on Channel 50. □



Varsity Football

The Varsity Football Season came to a disappointing conclusion on Saturday with a 22-7 defeat by Belleville.

"We moved the ball right down the field on our opening drive and then fumbled on our own 27-yard line," Coach Glover said, "and then it just seemed like we had a hard time regrouping from that point."

The Parents' Day crowd was very small, possibly because of the late change in the schedule from Friday night to a Saturday noon start. "In our two victories against Bedford and Garden City we had a very large, vocal crowd to support us, but these last two weeks our crowd has been very small, and believe me, that can affect a player's performance," Glover added. "Hey, I'm not making excuses for these young men. They are young and they took their lumps this year. We are only losing two starters from offense and defense and we are getting some fine young players from our J.V. program."

Hey Basketball Fans:

The Eastern Michigan University Huron Basketball Team is coming to Romulus High School on Wednesday, November 11, at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 and the price of admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for all students.

The Hurons feature **Grant Long**, a 1984 Romulus graduate who is picked as an All-League prospect, a possible *continued on page 16*

Sports

All-American prospect and a definite Pro prospect.

The proceeds from this game will be used to assist our 1987-88 Basketball Team, and we hope to see many of our great basketball fans out supporting our program as well as wishing E.M.U. good luck on their upcoming championship season in the Mid-American Conference. □

Girls Basketball

Coach Ron Bayes and his young Lady Eagles played a very skilled Willow Run team on Wednesday evening and came out on the losing side of a 51-28 score.

"It's been a real tough season on these kids, but they haven't given up. More important is that all but two will be back next year, and, combined with a few girls from our J.V. team and the experience from this year, we should be back on a winning track next season," Bayes said.

Playing in spurts, the Lady Eagles have really shown great improvement as the season has progressed. Coach Bayes is looking for some victories leading into the State District Tournament to be held at Taylor Center on November 20. The Lady Eagles play at home on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of the week of November 2, and the girls would like to see some of our basketball fans in the stands. Information about games or game times can be obtained by calling 941-3414. □

Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Team by Coach Julie Price

The J.V. Lady Eagles did very well on the road these past two weeks — out of three games, the girls came home with two victories, the one defeat coming from Adrian. Yes, we lost, but the girls put up one good fight.

The defense for Romulus was just great, led by Kim Hopewell, Michele Scarow, and Jennifer Daniel. In the first game against Adrian, one of their players scored 21 points against us, but in the second game that same Adrian player was held to four points, the highest score for them being 16. The J.V. Lady Eagles came on very strong in the first quarter — the score was tied at 17, then the Eagles took the lead but just couldn't hold it. Scoring was led by Jennifer Daniel, with 13 points, Sue Molenda, with 11, and Kim Hopewell with eight.

There were two victories, one coming against Taylor Baptist Park, 66-38, and the other against a team from as far away as Essex, Canada. The girls played well, with scoring led by Sue Molenda, who had 19 points, Jennifer Daniel, 10, and Michele Scarow with eight. After the game, the Essex team hosted us with pizza, pop and an invitation to their Halloween Dance. Every-

one had a good time. We are looking forward to seeing the Essex team again very soon! □

THANKS FROM THE A.D.

by Fred Coleman, Romulus Schools Activities Director

I want to thank all of the parents, staff and students who contributed their time and efforts in making our fall sports season such a success. Winning and losing do not mark the importance of high school athletics as much as involvement and reward do. Our athletes gained a lot of valuable experiences this fall that showed in the classroom (we had only 35 students ineligible over a 10-week period), and I am sure they will carry over throughout the year.

Our attendance at games is down this year and I would like to think that it is not because of our success that people are choosing to not support our teams at the games. Our girls basketball program is young and exciting to watch, and I would encourage our real fans to come and see these young ladies perform. This winter looks to be a good time also, as boys basketball will produce a solid League contender. Our volleyball program is on an upswing with a lot of senior leadership matching with young athletic talent, and our wrestling program is sure to be one of the best in this area, and possibly even in the top 10 in the State.

Any questions you may have concerning the schedules can be answered by calling the coaches at 941-2170 or by calling the Athletic Director at 941-3414. □

Coaches Receive Awards

Too few people recognize the importance of America's high school coaches. Our coaches are unsung heroes; they toil long hours and contribute mightily to the development of young athletes. Yet they rarely receive the recognition they deserve.

That's why The Franklin, based in Springfield, Ill., in conjunction with Scholastic Coach, is pleased to announce the second year of this unique awards program — The Franklin Select Circle Coaching Awards. Last year over 3,900 coaches were recognized, reflecting the greatest response of any awards program conducted by Scholastic Coach. We firmly believe that it is the most focused program ever devised to honor the high school coach. It involves no cumbersome voting procedure and it seeks out coaches in every sport. If the coach meets the standards in a sport, he or she is in. It's that simple.

A panel of experts, assembled by

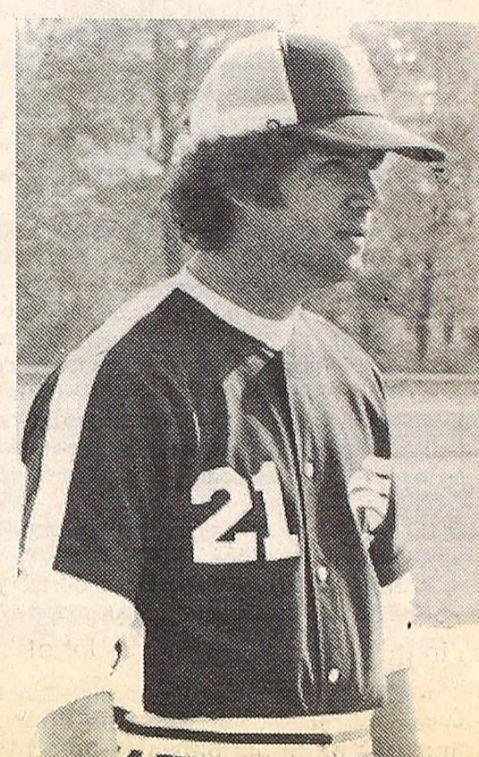
Scholastic Coach, has established standards for each sport. These standards are based on a minimum of five years of coaching and a certain number of victories. To assure equality, the panel has equated the lengths of the various seasons. Thus the coach of a sport with a 20-game season will be required to win twice as many games as the coach with a 10-game season.

Just as importantly, the program will designate three levels of awards: bronze, silver, and gold. The varying levels of achievement will give every coach a goal to strive for throughout his or her career.

— Reprinted from *Scholastic Coach*

Three coaches at Romulus High School received awards for their accomplishments in their respective sports: Gail Coleman for Varsity Volleyball, Wayne Schimming for Varsity Wrestling, and Dennis Stoh for Varsity Baseball.

Congratulations to these exceptional coaches. □



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School Sports

Junior High Football

The Romulus Junior High Football Team finished this season with a perfect 6-0 record. This is the third perfect season in a row for the Bulldogs since football was reinstated at the Junior High. This past season the Bulldogs outscored their opponents 156 to 12, concluding with a final-game 24-0 win over Temperance Bedford. Coaches Dan Foley and Tom Williams would like to name all the players responsible, but the list would be too long. Congratulations to all of you! □

Junior Varsity Football

The J.V. Football Team wrapped up its disappointing season with a 27-7 loss to arch-rival Belleville.

Coach Mike Abdo assessed his team's efforts this way: "We moved the ball well but we just couldn't get the ball in the end zone. These kids have nothing to feel bad about, as they are young and talented and many of their classmates are on the Varsity this year. When they all get together in the next two years, they are really going to surprise some people."

Coach Glen Free looked at the season in this manner: "We had a lot of young, inexperienced kids who gave us all they had. What hurt us most was eligibility. A lot of our players learned the hard way this season that you have to be a student first before you're an athlete, and we lost some very fine players to poor grades. Hopefully these young men will realize their mistake and become the student-athletes that this program needs." Free added, "Finishing the season 3-6 is not indicative

of these young men's talent, and I look for a lot from the group the next two years on the Varsity."

Coach Free and Coach Abdo would like to thank all the parents for their support this season and hope that all players and parents will be back next August to do it all again. □

Thank You!

The City of Romulus has numerous student activities and sports events, and it takes the efforts of many people to cover all of these activities and report them to our paper. While all of these people deserve our thanks, we at *The Romulus News* would like to give a special thank you to Mr. Fred Coleman, who has done such a super job of coordinating the reporting and photography, and seen to it that all materials were turned in before deadline. We hope that parents and students alike appreciate Mr. Coleman's efforts, and that they will support him in his continued efforts to keep the community informed about the activities our kids are involved in. □



September Students of the Month. *Bottom Row:* Susan Hamel, Shelly Grames, Rhonda Payne, Belinda Rose; *Second Row:* Joseph Waldorf, Jennifer Hollschlag, Michelle, Wydeman, Semma Chacunkal, Sandy Kushner, Barbara Ferguson; *Third Row:* Kevin Messersmith, Kim Taylor, Starr Davis, Steve Hockett, Jack Caines, Rick Kain; *Fourth Row:* Robert Hoth, Lenny Barr, Renee Hardt, John Cooley, Bill Goachee, Rhonda Tackett, Abdul West. *Not in Picture:* Chris Brown, Jason Tebeau, Denise Chafins, William O'Day, Anthony Montroy.



PAGEANT

The pre-pageant activities for the 1988 Miss Michigan USA Pageant are underway, with rehearsals, pool-side press party and photogenic judging, as well as the final event, all taking place at the beautiful Novi Hilton, 'The Official Home of the Miss Michigan USA Pageant.'

Among the contestants in this year's competition is Robyn Webb, 19, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Webb of Romulus. Robyn graduated from Romulus High School in 1986, and is currently a merchandise attendant at Target Store. Her life's ambition is to be a history teacher. Should she be crowned Miss Michigan USA 1988, Robyn will represent Michigan in the 1988 Miss USA Pageant, which will air live on CBS March 1.

Miss Michigan USA will receive an exciting array of gifts, including an all-expense paid trip to the national Miss USA Pageant, an interview with a top modeling agency and an exciting fashion photo session.

Miss Michigan USA 1988 will also receive wardrobe gifts from Pat McDonagh International of Toronto, as well as from Adents of St. Joseph. Peter's Place of Birmingham will provide hair care for Miss Michigan USA throughout her reign and, so that she'll arrive on time for all of her appointments, Miss Michigan USA will receive a brand new Honda Spree motor scooter secured through Anderson Honda.

A highly qualified panel of judges has been appointed to select Miss Michigan USA 1988. The panel will include a modeling agent, a fashion photographer and local authorities on health and beauty.

The 1988 Miss Michigan USA Pageant will be held on Sunday, November 29, 1987 at 4 p.m. at the beautiful Novi Hilton Hotel. The show will be hosted by Miss World USA 1978, the lovely Debbie Grant and Detroit model/actor Sam Kirkland. Elizabeth Puleo, Miss Michigan USA 1987, will be on hand to crown her successor.

Tickets for the 1988 Miss Michigan USA Pageant are available by calling pageant headquarters, 851-2315. □

Give a Book — Inspire the Mind!

Dear Parents:

The Holiday Season affords a marvelous opportunity to share with those less fortunate than us. At the same time it can fill us with the satisfaction of knowing we can do something that is worthwhile for our fellow man.

This year **Focus Hope** is making an appeal for children's books. For many this will be the first book of their very own. Won't you join us in this worthy effort?

Please bring gift-wrapped books for children seven years and under to Halecreek School November 3 through November 16. Books will be picked up from the various classrooms each morning by students from Room #6, Mrs. Croft's 2/3 grade.

Make a difference in the life of a child.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Croft, 2/3 Grade Teacher
Halecreek Elementary

Kiwanis Club News

by Lynn Coleman

Saturday, November 7, 1987, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Progressive Hall on Ozga Road at Five Points, the Kiwanis Club will host its Fall Pancake Supper. See or stop any Kiwanis member for tickets, or purchase them at the Hall.

The Kiwanis Club also voted to support the Bond Incentive Program for high-school students. The initial donation was \$200, and more will follow during the school year.

November 5, 1987, will be Ladies' Night at the Kiwanis Club, and new officers and members of the 1988 Executive Board will be introduced.

The Romulus Kiwanis Club is always looking for good men and women that enjoy promoting our community programs. □

Local Educator Attends State Meeting

Even though temperatures hovered in the low 50s, Traverse City gave a warm welcome to 500 Michigan elementary and middle school principals on October 26, 27 and 28. The 62nd Annual Conference of the Michigan Elementary and Middle School Principals' Association (MEMSPA) was held at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, Michigan, just outside of Traverse City.

William Smith, Principal of Barth Elementary School in Romulus, attended two days of workshops aimed at keeping administrators updated on the latest research and practices affecting schools. In addition to attending workshops and sharing information with principals from across the State, Smith heard nationally famous reading expert Jim Terlease give the keynote address on 'Turning On The Turned-Off Reader.'

The closing talk was given by Alex Haley, world-renowned author of *Roots*, who spoke to the principals on 'The Future of Education.'

MEMSPA is a professional organization serving 1,500 school administrators across the State of Michigan. □

Anxiety — A Sign of the Times

Anxiety

This reprint from Biomedical Information Corporation's Compendium of Patient Information was submitted by J. H. Barden, D.O.

A human being's natural reaction to danger is to fight or flee. This reaction began in a time when stress and danger were almost always physical, such as being confronted by a man-eating animal. To prepare for action, changes occur in the body; the pulse quickens, blood pressure increases, breathing becomes faster, and muscles become tense. In addition, blood is shunted away from the digestive tract and skin to supply muscles with the necessary oxygen, which may result in feelings of queasiness, tingling, or numbness, as well as 'rubbery' legs.

In modern society, however, a situation that is dangerous, or that is perceived as dangerous, is usually non-physical — such as the fear that you might be fired from your job. Then the 'fight or flight' response, with all its symptoms, is known as anxiety.

Appropriate Worry

Some anxiety is normal and even beneficial. For instance, if it is true that you might be fired, the resulting anxiety could motivate you to look for another job. However, some people suffer from anxiety that has no identifiable cause; in such individuals, the anxiety reaction is exaggerated and may be accompanied by feelings of dread, doom, or fear that they will lose control or 'go crazy.' This kind of anxiety is inappropriate and can become overwhelming or even incapacitating. It is in these severe cases that treatment becomes necessary. Fortunately, anxiety is relatively easy to treat and need not interfere with your daily life.

Anxiety is slightly more common in women than it is in men, and adolescents and the elderly seem to be particularly susceptible to it.

Kinds of Anxiety

Anxiety can take many different forms. The following are the more common kinds of emotional disorders characterized by anxiety:

Panic attacks. These are sudden, spontaneous, and unexplainable bouts of severe anxiety. They are characterized by rapid, shallow breathing, sweating, palpitations, chest pain, feelings of intense terror or impending doom, a sensation of choking or smothering, and a feeling of alienation — of being out of touch with the surrounding world. The attack usually lasts for only a few minutes, but on rare occasions may stretch out for several hours.

Panic attacks often begin in adolescence or early adulthood, but they may also start later in life. A complication is that people who experience such attacks also begin to feel a sense of helplessness or loss of control, especially if the attacks occur in public. Thus, they may avoid going out alone, if at all, for fear that an attack may occur.

Generalized anxiety disorder. This is an ongoing, persistent feeling of anxiety that invades the victim's life by causing jitteriness, apprehension, inability to concentrate, and sleep problems, such as nightmares or insomnia. Family and friends — indeed, anyone with whom the individual comes into contact — see him or her as being on edge, impatient, and irritable. Often, this kind of anxiety is linked with mild depression. In addition, physical ailments that have no apparent cause, such as palpitations, stomach upsets, and various aches and pains, may be experienced.

Phobias. A phobia, a more specific form of anxiety, is an extreme fear of a particular object, activity, or situation. Common phobias include fear of flying, heights, certain animals, and enclosed spaces, such as elevators. Unlike other types of anxiety, which are spontaneous, phobias are triggered only by a particular situation. Contact with the dreaded situation results in panic and the urge to escape. People who suffer from phobias will go to any length to avoid confronting these situations, even to the extent of rearranging their lives.

One special type of phobia, *agoraphobia*, is a fear of public places from

which escape might be difficult (such as a crowded theater) or where aid might be unavailable if the victim should suddenly be incapacitated. This fear may be linked with panic attacks and become so extreme that the individual refuses to leave the safety of home. Another type of phobia is *social phobia*, the fear of scrutiny or of behaving in a humiliating or embarrassing manner.

Phobias can usually be traced to a traumatic event in the individual's past. Animal phobias often begin in childhood. A morbid fear of dogs, for example, can stem from being bitten by a dog at an early age.

Obsessive-compulsive disorder. Obsessions can be defined as persistent, recurrent ideas, thoughts, or images that are intrusive and repellent. (An example of an obsessional thought is the idea of murdering someone, perhaps a close relative.) A compulsion is a repetitive behavior that is done in a certain ritualized manner. A person with a compulsion may subconsciously believe that the behavior will somehow influence the future and thus prevent some dreaded event from happening. Continual hand washing, for example, may be performed if the person is afraid of becoming contaminated. If the individual attempts to resist the compulsion, he or she experiences an overwhelming feeling of anxiety, which is relieved as soon as the compulsive act is performed once again. Other common compulsions include repeated checking or counting of figures and touching objects or pieces of clothing.

Obsessive-compulsive behavior is relatively rare and seems to occur about equally in men and women. This disorder usually begins in adolescence or early childhood.

Posttraumatic stress disorder. A person may experience symptoms of extreme anxiety following an unusual, traumatic event, such as a rape, assault, natural disaster, war, or torture. The stress disorder may begin soon after the event and last months or even years. The individual may feel depressed, detached, and estranged from his or her surroundings and may be bothered by other persistent emotions, such as guilt for having survived when the others did not. He or she may also relive the episode in dreams, thoughts, or even actions.

Treatment

There are a number of effective treatments available, including the use of tranquilizing drugs and psychotherapy, that can help those suffering from anxiety lead comfortable and productive lives.

Drug Therapy. Your doctor may prescribe a drug that will aid in relieving your anxiety, especially if it is seriously hampering your daily life. Minor tranquilizers or antianxiety agents will help

you cope with anxiety attacks or with generalized anxiety. These drugs will also help you sleep better and diminish any physical symptoms you may be experiencing as a result of anxiety. If your doctor thinks that you might be depressed or suffering from a severe phobia, he or she may also prescribe an antidepressant.

Psychotherapy. Although there are many schools of thought on this, psychotherapy may help you to uncover and deal with the problems that are causing your anxiety. In addition, you can learn effective methods for coping with stress.

Behavior modification therapy. This method is often used to treat phobias and obsessive-compulsive disorders. A common form of behavior modification therapy is desensitization, which involves gradually exposing the person to the dreaded situation and offering encouragement when he or she is able to confront the situation without anxiety. For example, an agoraphobic might be helped, in a series of graduated steps, to encounter the crowds and public places that cause anxiety.

Self-help. If you are aware of what is causing your anxiety, you may be able to remove the cause yourself. For example, if your work situation is making you feel excessively anxious, you can consider changing your job. Physical exercise is a wonderful stress reliever. You can also learn muscle-relaxation exercises or biofeedback techniques for use when confronted with an anxiety-producing situation.

Summing Up

Anxiety is a normal part of dealing with stress. However, if emotional conflicts are not resolved by talking them over with family or friends and if the anxiety produces undue distress, professional help is advisable. Remember, no one is immune to anxiety. The important thing is to recognize anxiety when it is a medical problem and to work with a doctor or counselor to reduce it to a manageable level, if not relieve it entirely.

Recognizing Anxiety

Panic attacks. Recurrent, unpredictable panic attacks are characterized by:

- Feelings of intense terror
- Feelings of impending doom
- Feelings of unreality
- Chest pain or discomfort; palpitations
- Breathlessness; choking or smothering sensations
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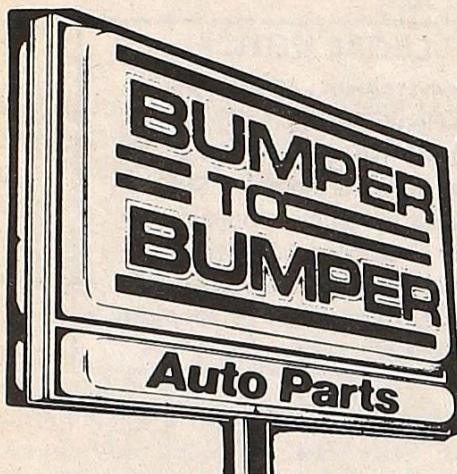
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